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11. (SBU) On October 26, Polecoff spoke with Urmas Eigla, Cuban Desk

Officer at the MFA. Eigla stated that the Government of Estonia (GOE)

will give careful consideration to the UNGA Resolution, but will ultimately support the common EU position. The GOE feels that strong

and inflexible sanctions and isolationist policies will not necessarily

promote the development of civil society in Cuba. Eigla also commented

that even though Estonia does not have representation in Cuba, the  $\ensuremath{\mathtt{GOE}}$ 

strongly supports communication with dissidents and providing them with

support and assistance.

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